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SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF ANTI-HIJACKING DECLARATION REACHED AT BONN ECONOMIC SUMMIT CONFERENCE

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1. ALTHOUGH FRG EMBASSY IS STILL WITHOUT INSTRUCTIONS TO RAISE ANTI-HIJACKING DECLARATION WITH GOB, WE HAVE CONTACTED BOTH MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION TO PASS INFORMATION CONTAINED PARA 1-3 REFTEL AND AGAIN URGE BOTSWANA TO ACCEDE TO 1970 HAGUE ANTI-HIJACKING CONVENTION. IN REPLY, GOB DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION INFORMED US THAT BOTSWANA IS TAKING NECESSARY STEPS TO SIGN AND RATIFY HAGUE CONVENTION AND IMPLEMENT SUPPORTING DOMESTIC LEGISLATION.

2. IN CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF, EXTAFF DEPUTY SECRETARY MOGAMI CONFIRMED THAT GOB HAS MADE POLITICAL DECISION TO ACCEDE TO HAGUE CONVENTION. MOGAMI DID NOT KNOW CURRENT STATUS OF ACCESSION PROCEDURES, BUT ASSUMED THAT GOB ATTORNEY GENERAL'S CHAMBERS IS WORKING ON REQUIRED DOCUMENTS AND DOMESTIC LEGISLATION.

3. GIVEN HEAVY WORKLOAD IN ATTORNEY GENERAL'S CHAMBERS, IT MAY BE SOME TIME BEFORE GOB ACTUALLY ACCEDES
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TO HAGUE CONVENTION. HOWEVER, ON BASIS OF OUR CONVERSATIONS WITH EXTAFF AND CIVIL AIR OFFICIALS, WE BELIEVE GOB SUPPORTS OBJECTIVES OF BONN ANTI-HIJACKING DECLARATION AND WILL DO WHATEVER IT CAN TO FACILITATE INTERNATIONAL ANTI-HIJACKING MEASURES.
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